Mr. James L. Crook Vice President Operations Air Traffic Control Association 2300 Clarendon Blvd. Arlington, VA 22201

Dear Mr. Crook:

Thank you for your June 24 letter recommending that the Mode S Task assigned to the Aviation Rulemaking Advisory Committee (ARAC) be withdrawn. In light of the recent Notice of Proposed Rulekmaking to change the Mode S requirements and your recommendation, the task is withdrawn.

I would like to thank the aviation community for its commitment to ARAC, and in particular, the dedicated efforts of the General Aviation Mode S Working Group in completing the work thus far accomplished on this task.

Grigifial Signed By Margaret Gilligan

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